

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Applicants originally submitted Claims 1-9 in the application. The Examiner has indicated that Claims 8-9 are allowed and that Claims 4, 6 and 7 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form.

In response, the Applicants have amended independent Claim 1, added independent Claim 10 and have canceled Claims 3-6 to place the pending claims in condition for allowance. No other claims have been canceled or added. Accordingly, Claims 1-2 and 7-10 are currently pending in the application.

I. Rejection of Claims 1-3 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-3 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by WO 98/09381 to Raleigh, *et al.* The Applicants respectfully disagree since amended Claim 1 includes allowable subject matter as indicated by the Examiner. Accordingly, this rejection of independent Claim 1 is moot and the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejection and allow issuance of pending Claims 1-2.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendment and remarks, the Applicants now see all of the Claims currently pending in this application to be in condition for allowance and therefore earnestly solicit a Notice of Allowance for Claims 1-2 and 7-10.

The Applicants request the Examiner to telephone the undersigned attorney of record at (972) 480-8800 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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